

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| <b>In re Application of:</b><br><br>Luciano Lavagno et al.<br><br><b>Serial No.:</b> 09/847,642<br><br><b>Filed:</b> May 1, 2001<br><br><b>For:</b> SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR<br>PERFORMING SOFTWARE<br>PERFORMANCE ESTIMATIONS | <b>Group Art Unit:</b> 2123<br><br><b>Examiner:</b> Russell L. Guill<br><br><b>Confirmation No.:</b> 6620 |
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 WITH  
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

**Mail Stop RCE**  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed November 15, 2007, Applicants respectfully make a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and amend the above-identified application as follows. This Amendment is being filed concurrently with a request for continued examination (RCE).

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 10.